

# 2015 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

(FORM ON REVERSE SIDE)

# Celebrating Successes

## *Excellence in Bloom*

HONORING THOSE WHO GUIDE OUR CHILDREN... AND OUR FUTURE

16<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebrating Successes • Tues., April 28 • Ten Oaks Ballroom

### WHO WILL YOU NOMINATE?

TEACHERS  
CHILD CARE  
PROVIDERS  
CAMPS  
SCOUT LEADERS  
RELIGIOUS  
MENTORS  
YOUTH MENTORS  
NEIGHBORHOOD  
VOLUNTEERS  
POLICE  
OFFICERS  
COACHES  
LIBRARIANS  
RESTAURANTS  
FAMILY-FOCUSED  
BUSINESS

### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF HOWARD COUNTY CHILDREN AND YOUTH?

Each year, the Howard County Office of Children's Services honors the people and programs that guide our children, and ultimately, our future.

All nominees and winners will be recognized at "Celebrating Successes – Excellence in Bloom!" ... a party you won't want to miss!

Nominate anyone who works with children in Howard County... a person, program or business that deserves recognition.

### SPECIFIC AGE CATEGORIES:

- ★ **INFANTS AND TODDLERS** (0-3 YRS)
- ★ **PRESCHOOL AGE** (3-5 YRS)
- ★ **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AGE** (K-5<sup>TH</sup> GR)
- ★ **MIDDLE SCHOOL AGE** (6-8<sup>TH</sup> GR)
- ★ **HIGH SCHOOL AGE** (9-12<sup>TH</sup> GR)
- ★ **MIXED AGE GROUP** (VARIOUS AGES)

### SPECIAL NOMINATION CATEGORIES:

- ★ **MAKING A DIFFERENCE YOUTH AWARD**  
An individual under age 18 who has made a difference in our community.
- ★ **FAMILY FRIENDLY BUSINESS AWARD**  
A Howard County business that stands out for its policies and/or service to children and families.

### NOMINATION DEADLINE (FORM ON REVERSE)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 13!**



410.313.1940

children@howardcountymd.gov

www.howardcountymd.gov/children

### NOMINATE **ONLINE**

[WWW.HOWARDCOUNTYMD.GOV/CELEBRATINGSUCCESSES](http://WWW.HOWARDCOUNTYMD.GOV/CELEBRATINGSUCCESSES)

### NOMINATE **ON PAPER**

- FILL OUT THE FORM ON THE BACK OF THIS SHEET
- ATTACH OR INCLUDE YOUR NOMINATION NARRATIVE
- MAIL OR FAX TO: OFFICE OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
3300 NORTH RIDGE ROAD, SUITE 380  
ELLCOTT CITY, MD 21043  
FAX: 410-313-1430

# NOMINATION FORM 2015

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### Section 1. **CONTACT INFO** –

Please provide complete contact information for nominee and yourself.

NOMINEE Name \_\_\_\_\_

Program/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR Name \_\_\_\_\_

Program/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 2. **CATEGORY** –

Only ONE category per nomination, please.

- ☐ INFANTS AND TODDLERS (0-3 YRS)
- ☐ PRESCHOOL AGE (3-5 YRS)
- ☐ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AGE (K-5<sup>TH</sup> GR)
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- ☐ MIXED AGE GROUP
- ☐ MAKING A DIFFERENCE YOUTH AWARD
- ☐ FAMILY FRIENDLY BUSINESS AWARD (non-childcare only)

### Section 3. **NARRATIVE** –

On paper, please answer one of the following questions. *You must include the narrative with this form.*

- Q1: Describe how this person or program has made a difference in the life of a child(ren). Be sure to include examples of such qualities as dedication, inclusion, diversity or community involvement. A successful nomination will provide detailed, thoughtful stories and examples.
- Q2: For **FAMILY-FRIENDLY BUSINESS** nominations ONLY: What makes this business stand out from others that provide the same products and/or service(s)?

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- Complete this form and attach narrative
- Mail or fax to: Office of Children's Services  
3300 North Ridge Rd., #380  
Ellicott City, MD 21043  
FAX: 410-313-1430



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### RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Choose only ONE category for your nominee.
- An individual nominee doesn't have to live in Howard County, but he or she must serve Howard County children. A specific program or business nominee must be located in Howard County.
- The Family-Friendly Business category is meant for businesses other than child care. If you are nominating a child care program for its family-friendly policies, please choose the appropriate age category.
- Be sure your narrative is detailed, thoughtful, and provides enough information for judges to consider. We may contact you for more information about your nominee.
- Multiple nominations for the same person or business are not considered votes. The panel of judges is more interested in the quality of a single nomination than in the quantity of nominations received.